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CSUB Department of Art and Art History and Bakersfield Museum of Art Co-Host 2021 Graduating Seniors Exhibition

April 27, 2021 – The Todd Madigan Gallery at CSUB is pleased to partner with the Bakersfield Museum of Art to present the latest iteration of the annual *Graduating Seniors Exhibition*, on view at the Bakersfield Museum of Art April 29 – May 29, 2021. This exhibition showcases the work of more than 25 graduates from the Department of Art and Art History at CSU Bakersfield. The works in this exhibition were largely made during the pandemic, when our students were separated from campus studios, facilities, and in large part each other. The works they have produced reflect the personal journeys each artist experienced over this last year. They include portraits of loved ones, sharp examinations of one’s self and surroundings, fantastic spaces and imaginings.

This exhibition is the result of an unusually long and complex process by students, faculty, and curators. The Todd Madigan Gallery thanks the artists in this exhibition for their patience and dedication to this project, and the Bakersfield Museum of Art for their enthusiastic support of the exhibition. “The partnership between CSUB and BMoA is part of our shared mission of cultivating contemporary art in Bakersfield,” said Jedediah Caesar, curator at the Todd Madigan Gallery. “For our students, this is an opportunity to present themselves on a large stage, and for the museums visitors it’s a chance to experience the work of these artists at the very beginning of their careers.”

Although there will not be a formal opening, the public is invited to view the exhibition during the museum’s regular hours: Tuesday through Saturday, 10:00AM – 4:00PM.

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About CSUB Department of Art and Art History

The Todd Madigan Art Gallery at CSUB brings experimental, contemporary artwork to the CSUB campus and Central Valley community. The gallery also organizes the Student Thesis shows and annually commissions new projects by professional artists.

CSUB offers a rigorous curriculum taught by an award-winning faculty comprised of international artists and published art historians who encourage original, creative, and well-researched thinking.

About BMoA

The Bakersfield Museum of Art's mission is to inspire and engage diverse audiences by providing a broad spectrum of creative visual arts experiences through the exhibition and preservation of fine art, educational programs, community outreach and special events. Visit www.bmoa.org or call (661) 323-7219 for more information. Connect with BMoA on Facebook and Instagram @thebmoa, and Twitter @bmoa. BMoA is located at 1930 "R" Street, Bakersfield, CA 93301.